

# California Office of Historic Preservation

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The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 turns fifty years old this year. Click on the image above or visit [www.preservation50.org](http://www.preservation50.org) to learn more about this important act and how you can participate in the year-long celebration!

### City of Redlands Becomes California's 67th CLG!

In April of this year, the [City of Redlands](#) became California's 67th and newest Certified Local Government (CLG). Located in San Bernardino County, Redlands was incorporated in 1888 and named for the red adobe soil of the



region. The city was central to the nation's citrus industry in the early decades of the community's existence. Today, Redlands is home to Redlands University, technology and manufacturing industries, and a diversity of historic homes, buildings, and neighborhoods. Congratulations to the City of

**The mission of the Office of Historic Preservation and the State Historical Resources Commission is to provide leadership and promote the preservation of California's irreplaceable and diverse cultural heritage.**



### **State Historical Resources Commission (SHRC)**

The Commission meets at least four times per year to give citizens an opportunity to participate in public hearings regarding the identification, registration, and preservation of California's cultural heritage.

### **Upcoming 2016 Meetings:**

July 29 - Woodland

October 28 - Location TBD

For meeting and general information, please visit the [SHRC webpage](#).



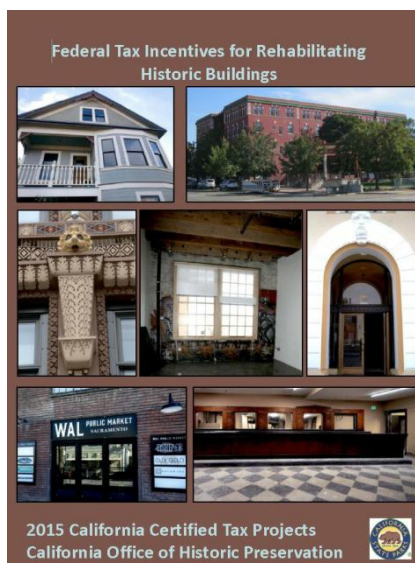
The National Park System (NPS) marks its 100th anniversary in 2016. Visit the [NPS Centennial](#)

Redlands on this important designation!

The CLG program encourages the direct participation of local governments in preserving historic resources within their jurisdictions. Federal grants are awarded annually to assist certified local governments with historic preservation programs. Learn more on our [Certified Local Government Program](#) webpage.

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## **Historic Tax Credit Projects Report Now Available**



The staff of our Architectural Review and Environmental Compliance Unit is pleased to report that the National Park Service (NPS) approved seven California historic tax credit projects completed in 2015. The projects were certified as having met the Secretary of the Interior's

Standards for Rehabilitation. [The Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program](#) continues to be one of the most effective tools for revitalizing communities, creating jobs, and preserving historic properties that retain a community's unique character.

The [2015 California Certified Tax Projects Report](#) is now available online. To view reports from past years, please visit our [Certified California Tax Incentive Projects](#) webpage.

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## **California Main Streets Receive National Accreditation**

website to learn more about "America's Best Idea" and how you can participate in the centenary commemoration.

Twenty-four of California's twenty-eight Main Street programs have received National Main Street accreditation.

Accreditation provides national recognition to local Main Street programs that meet ten performance standards.



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[Main Street Alliance \(CAMSA\)](#) evaluates local programs for eligibility and submits their findings to the [National Main Street Center](#) for accreditation determination. The national and state Main Street programs support local communities in their efforts to preserve and enhance the economic, social, and cultural well-being of their historic downtowns.

[Click here](#) to view the list of accredited California Main Streets, and then visit our [California Main Street](#) webpage to learn more about this successful program.

(Image: Eureka Main Street is one of the accredited programs)

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## News and Updates

### California Properties Added to the National Register!

Between April 29 and May 20, 2016, thirteen California properties were added to the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Visit the NRHP online [Weekly List](#) to view the listed properties. Images and information about the California properties also can be found on the OHP's [Actions Taken](#) webpage.

**Still Time to Submit Comments on Improving the NHPA**

In recognition of the 50th anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) is developing policy recommendations and implementation strategies to improve the effectiveness of the NHPA as it enters its next half century. There is still time to share your comments and suggestions regarding the ACHP statement. Visit the [ACHP website](#) to view the statement and submit comments. **The comment deadline is June 10, 2016.**

### **CPF Accepting Proposals for the 2017 Annual Preservation Conference**

The California Preservation Foundation (CPF) is now accepting session proposals for their 2017 Annual Conference to be held in Pasadena.

[Proposal forms](#) are available on the CPF website.

**Submission deadline is June 15, 2016.**

### **Cast Your Vote to Preserve Historic Places!**

To honor the National Park Service Centennial, and as part of the [Partners in Preservation](#) campaign, the National Trust for Historic Preservation (NTHP) is partnering with American Express and the National Geographic Society to award \$2 million in grants for the preservation of historic places within national parks. Which parks will be awarded will be decided by popular vote. Visit the [VoteYourPark](#) website to learn more and cast your vote! **Voting ends July 5, 2016.**

### **Apply Now for NPS Underrepresented Community Grants**

The National Park Service (NPS) is now accepting applications for [2016 Underrepresented Community Grants](#). The grants provide funding to projects that identify and designate historic properties associated with communities currently underrepresented in the National Register of Historic Places. Click the link above for application and program details.

**The deadline for applications is July 15, 2016.**

### **Applications Still Being Accepted for the Richard Morris Hunt Prize**

The [Richard Morris Hunt Prize](#), established in 1990, offers mid-career American and French design



professionals a six-month exchange experience that showcases the latest scholarship and practice in historic preservation and architectural heritage. The prize is co-sponsored by the American Architectural Foundation and the French Heritage Society. The **deadline for [applications](#) is July 31, 2016.**

### **June is Pride Month**

Learn more about these two ground-breaking efforts to document LGBTQ history in California:

[Citywide Historic Context Statement for LGBTQ History in San Francisco](#)  
[SurveyLA LGBT Historic Context Statement](#)

### **Preservation News From Capitol Hill**

At the end of May, the House Appropriations Committee Released the draft of the FY17 Interior and Environment Appropriations Bill that includes increases for the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF), as well as other preservation-related programs and grants. Also in May, the Senate released their version of the FY17 National Defense Authorization Act, in which they excluded a provision that would have allowed federal agencies to block National Register of Historic Places designations on the basis of national security. [Click here](#) to learn more about these and other preservation-related activities from the legislative front.

### **Hello and Farewell**

There are some changes in the faces here at the OHP:

In May, we welcomed Koren Tippet to the staff of our Archaeology and Environmental Compliance Unit, where her duties will include reviewing Army Corps of Engineers projects. Koren earned a masters degree in Anthropology from California State University, Chico. Prior to joining the OHP, she worked for HDR Consulting, Sacramento. A native of Sacramento, Koren and her husband, Ryan, still make their home here, sharing their house with four energetic cats.

May also found us bidding farewell to Sean de Courcy, who has been a valued member of our Local Government and Environmental Compliance

Unit. Sean recently accepted a position with the California Energy Commission. His hard work and good humor will be greatly missed, but we wish him the best as he embarks on this new venture. We also wish the best to Sean and his wife, Meg, as they prepare for the birth of their first baby!

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## Events and Education

### California Preservation Foundation (CPF) Workshops

**June 18:** A Crash Course in Night Photography at a Celebrated, Historic Cemetery - Colma, CA

Registration information, and a complete listing of education offerings, is available on the [CPF website](#).

### Free Webinars from the OHP

Our 2015-2016 series of free webinars, produced in partnership with CPF, is winding down. The next and last webinar for this education cycle is:

**July 21:** [Where Credit is Due: Preparing a Successful Tax Credit Application](#)

Visit our [Training and Workshops](#) webpage for information on future webinars and other training opportunities.

### Youth Heritage Summit California, July 27-30, 2016

The first-ever California Youth Heritage Summit will take place at [Cesar E. Chavez National Monument](#) in Keene, California. Students will learn about the significance of the site while also developing skills that can be applied to future careers in history, preservation, archaeology, and heritage conservation among others. The summit is supported by a partnership between the National Park Service, the [Cesar Chavez Foundation](#), and the non-profit organization [We Are the Next](#). Visit the [Youth Heritage Summit](#) website for program and application details. The **deadline for applying is**

**June 24, 2016.**

## **CASSP Accepting Applications for Training Sessions in June, July, & September**

The [California Archaeological Site Stewardship Program \(CASSP\)](#) trains volunteers to work alongside professional archaeologists to protect archaeological and historical resources by visiting sites regularly and recording changes. CASSP is a statewide program directed by the [Society for California Archaeology \(SCA\)](#). Visit the [CASSP website](#) for training dates and locations.

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## **Picture of Success: Fifty Years of the National Historic Preservation Act in California**

Our banner image for this month's ePost is the interior of the restored San Francisco Ferry Building, and is one of the stories in our "Picture of Success" campaign.

The [San Francisco Ferry Building](#) survived two major earthquakes and was once the primary arrival and departure point for the city. Cast into obscurity for half a century by a double-deck freeway and the popularity of automobiles, this historic Beaux Art building is today restored to its original grandeur, and is once again one of San Francisco's cherished landmarks.

(Text and photo contributed by [Page & Turnbull](#))

Do you have a preservation success? Share it as part of our [Picture of Success](#) campaign! Success stories and images are posted to our [Facebook](#) page, and some also are featured here in our ePost.

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